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REPORT

OF

THE BOARD OF VISITORS

OF THE

VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE.

JULY 1858.

REPORT.

VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE,
JULY 4, 1858.

SIR,

The board of visitors of the Virginia military institute assembled on the 25th ultimo, since which time they have continued in the diligent discharge of the duties devolved upon them by the appointment of your excellency. As the result of their labors, they beg leave respectfully to report:

That they have made a careful examination of all the property of the state, both the real and personal property, including the arms and other munitions of war in the state armory, and that they have found every thing in good order, and giving evidence that commendable care has been taken for the proper preservation of such property by the authorities of the institution.

In regard to the financial operations of the institution for the last year, and its present condition in this respect, the undersigned beg leave to refer your excellency to the reports of the superintendent and acting superintendent and treasurer of the institute, and also to the reports of the committees of the board, which accompany this report. The board only deem it necessary in this connection to say generally that all of the executive officers of the institution seem to have discharged their respective duties with great fidelity and devotion to the interests which have been committed to their care.

The board have attended closely to the examinations of most of the classes of the corps; and whilst they do not pretend to report or to believe that some branches of literature and the ancient languages are as extensively taught here as in some of our other colleges and universities, yet they desire to express their decided conviction of the great proficiency which has been attained by the cadets in all the departments of physical science under the almost perfect system of instruction, as it seems to this board, adopted by the professors of the different classes. The examinations, as conducted before the board, have been searching and thorough, and no quarter in the examination hall has been shown to the sluggard, but each has been required to make a fair exhibit of the stock of knowledge acquired by himself during the last academic year; so that the board regard it as exceedingly difficult if not impossible for one unworthy, so far as his attainments are concerned, to procure improperly the diploma directed to be conferred upon graduates. The Virginia military institute has been in operation for nineteen years, and her worthy representatives in the persons of her graduates, now scattered over the whole confederacy, and to be found in all the respectable walks and professions of life, are so many living witnesses of the wisdom and liberality of the state in thus establishing and maintaining an institution within her borders, which is adding yearly to her list of men who will bring her strength and honor as well in time of peace as in war.

The board take pleasure, in conformity with the requirements of law, in reporting to your excellency the following list of young gentlemen who have distinguished themselves in their respective classes:

First Class.

M. B. Hardin of Alexandria.
L. W. Reid "
L. L. Marks of Petersburg.

Second Class.

W. H. Clarke of the city of Richmond.
J. W. Lyell of the county of Richmond.
J. H. Chenoweth of the county of Randolph

Third Class.

J. G. Miller of the county of Matthews.
E. Cunningham of the county of Powhatan.
D. Poynor of the county of Brunswick.

Fourth Class.

W. A. Deas of the county of Powhatan.
R. J. Washington of the county of Westmoreland.
R. L. Williams of the county of Essex.

The board have taken steps to carry out the wishes of the general assembly, a expressed by their act of last session, appropriating money for the purpose of paying th debt contracted for the completion of the barracks, and for the purpose of enclosing an improving the grounds of the institute, and for furnishing the same with an abundan supply of water; and committees have been appointed to see that the interests of th state are cared for in this regard.

The board beg leave to call the attention of your excellency particularly to the repor of the superintendent, as containing valuable suggestions as to the farther improvemen and development of the plan upon which the institute was founded, the weight and pr priety of which suggestions are fully admitted by the board.

Your excellency will learn by the report of the superintendent, that he is now, upo leave granted by a former board, enjoying, for the first time, some relaxation from th severe labors of nineteen years—and surely no man more richly deserves such relaxation— for no one, who will look back at the foundation and subsequent upward progress of th military institute, will deny that Francis H. Smith has been a benefactor to his nativ state, and deserves and will receive much of the gratitude and honor always shown to he distinguished sons. The opportunity which this leave of absence affords the superinten dent of visiting the justly celebrated military and scientific schools of Great Britain an the continent, will doubtless be suggestive of many valuable improvements, which he wil be ready to adopt for the benefit of the institution over which he presides, and to whic he is so ardently attached; and the board feel assured that the institute will, in this way be amply repaid for the temporary loss of his valuable services. Whilst the board hav felt in some measure the absence of Col. Smith, they would be doing great injustice t their own feelings not to acknowledge the great aid which has been most promptly an efficiently rendered to them in the discharge of their duties, by the very accomplishe and able gentleman, Major J. T. L. Preston, who is now the superior officer of th institution.

In conclusion, the board beg leave to assure your excellency that here, at least, all the interests of Virginia are properly cared for and guarded.

Very respectfully submitted.

PHILIP ST. GEO. COCKE, *Pres.*
WM. H. RICHARDSON.
R. A. CLAYBROOK.
GEORGE BLOW, JR.
EDWARD C. BUNKER.
WM. H. PAYNE.
WM. McLAUGHLIN.
JOHN T. HARRIS.
JOHN ECHOLS.

His Excellency HENRY A. WISE.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Unanimously adopted July 3rd, 1858.

The committee on finance have carefully examined the treasurer's report of the receipts and disbursements of the institution for the past year, and combining it with the statements furnished by the quartermaster and commissary, beg leave to present the following report of the present financial condition of the institute:

V. M. Institute Account.

Cr.	By amount received, as per treasurer's report, - -	21,352 78
Dr.	To amount paid out, do. do. do. - -	22,471 22
	Balance against V. M. I.	$1,118 44

Q. M. Department.

Cr.	By receipts and merchandise, as per quartermaster's and treasurer's report, - - - - -	39,274 58
Dr.	To disbursements and liabilities, - - -	38,222 52
	Balance to the credit of the department,	$1,052 06

Subsistence Department.

Cr.	As per treasurer's and commissary's reports, - -	25,485 97
Dr.	As per do. do. do. - -	25,182 74
	Balance to the credit of the S. department,	$303 23

Building Fund.

Cr.	By amount appropriated March 31, 1858, - - -		10,000 00
	By balance on books of treasurer, June 1857, - -		123 29
			10,123 29
Dr.	To amount paid out by treasurer, - -	4,487 60	
	To outstanding debts, - - -	6,352 10	
	To balance due R. P. White (estimated), - -	600 00	
			11,439 70
	Balance against building fund,		$1,316 41

Recapitulation.

Dr.	To balance against V. M. institute account,		1,118 46
	Building fund,		1,316 41
			2,434 87
Cr.	By balance to credit of quartermaster's department,	1,052 06	
	Subsistence department,	303 23	
			1,355 29
	Balance against the institution, June 15th, 1858,		$1,079 58

The board of visitors, at their last annual meeting, appointed eight additional state cadets without any provision having been made by the legislature for their support. The support of these cadets for the past year has involved a charge upon the V. M. I. account of $1,440, which, with other contingencies, has absorbed the balance to the credit of this account at the close of the last fiscal year, and has left a debt against it, of $1,118 46. Should the board determine not to reduce the number of state cadets, the estimated balance against this department, at the close of the fiscal year, will be $2,558.

The V. M. I. account is the only account upon which the support of the institute proper depends, and its receipts are barely sufficient to provide the salaries of the professors, and to meet the contingent expenses to which the institute is liable. To tax it, therefore, with the support of these additional state cadets, is to impose upon it a burden from which there is no relief, unless it be by a transfer of the balance against it to the other departments of the institute. Nor do your committee think it would be good policy to impose this charge upon the other departments. The quartermaster's and subsistence departments are independent and self-sustaining departments; and if by their economic management reasonable profits should be realized, it would seem to be right that they should be kept as a permanent fund for the use and benefit of the institute alone. In view, then, of the financial condition of the institute, your committee feel constrained earnestly to urge upon the board the reduction of the number of state cadets to that provided for by law. The legislature of Virginia neither asks nor expects that gratuitous instruction shall be given to any one seeking an education at the institute; and the board, in endeavoring to extend the benefits of the institution to the meritorious and deserving young men of the state, whose means are not sufficient to provide themselves with collegiate educations, have made appointments which cannot be provided for by the institute without seriously embarrassing its finances and taking from it the means of making those improvements, which every public institution requires.

The committee find, upon examining the treasurer's report, that a fee of only one dollar is charged to the cadets for the use of the library. This fee is barely sufficient to pay the salary of the librarian, and will not cover the damage done to the books. The library is designed solely for the benefit of the cadets, and it is of the first importance that a school like this should be provided with the scientific and literary works which are daily issuing from the press. It is therefore recommended that an annual fee of $2 be charged to each cadet, to replace such books as may be lost, and to be kept as a separate fund to provide such books for the institute as the scientific progress of the school may require.

Respectfully submitted.

R. A. CLAYBROOK
W. H PAYNE.
JNO. ECHOLS.

COL. PHILIP ST. GEO. COCKE,
Pres. B. V. V. M. I.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSTRUCTION.

Unanimously adopted July 3rd, 1858.

The undersigned, who were appointed a committee to consider and report upon the course of instruction adopted in the institute, and the efficiency of the mental training of the cadets of the corps, respectfully report, that they have attended the examinations of most of the classes, and have been much gratified with the exhibition made by the young gentlemen.

Your committee have been perfectly satisfied with the thoroughness and precision with which the different branches have been taught, creditable as the instruction has been both to the teachers and the pupils.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN ECHOLS.
WM. H. PAYNE.
R. A. CLAYBROOK.

Col. Philip St. Geo. Cocke,
Pres. B. V. V. M. I.

REPORT ON QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT.

Unanimously adopted July 3rd, 1858.

The undersigned committee, who were charged with the examination of the quartermaster's department, respectfully report, that they have discharged the duty allotted to them, and are entirely satisfied with the operations and efficiency of this department. The quartermaster has managed his department with great fidelity and zeal. The exhibits which accompany this report, show its condition to be flourishing, although encumbered by charges from the other departments.

The board will discover, by referring to exhibit No. 4, that the debts due from ex-cadets is an increasing burden upon the department, and the committee recomend that the superintendent be directed to take prompt and efficient steps for their collection.

It appears from exhibit No. 3, that the sum of $700 has been borrowed from this department to expend in fitting up the new buildings. This sum should be refunded.

The board will be glad to observe that the expenses of cadets, both state and pay, fall *below* the estimate.

The committee fully concur in the opinion, so often expressed, as to the importance and usefulness of this department to the institution.

WM. H. PAYNE.
JOHN T. HARRIS.
WM. McLAUGHLIN.

Col. Philip St. Geo. Cocke,
Pres. B. V. V. M. I.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON SUBSISTENCE.

Unanimously adopted July 3rd, 1858.

The committee on the subsistence department beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined this department, and are entirely satisfied with the prudence, neatness and efficiency with which it is managed.

The actual average cost of board for each cadet the past year has been $10 36 per month. As this leaves a margin of only sixty-four cents to meet contingencies and extraordinary charges, your committee recommend that the present price charged for board be continued.

Your committee are gratified to find that there has been a material improvement during the last year in the character of the fare, which accounts for the increased cost of board.

It affords your committee pleasure to bear testimony to the satisfactory manner in which the commissary and steward has discharged the important and varied duties of his position.

Respectfully submitted.

WM. McLAUGHLIN.
JOHN T. HARRIS.
E. C. BUNKER.

Col. Philip St. Geo. Cocke,
Pres. B. V. V. M. I.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISCIPLINE.

Unanimously adopted July 3rd, 1858.

This committee has no recommendation to make with reference to changes or improve-
ıent in the existing system. The state of discipline of the corps of cadets appears to be
s good as at any former period, and is particularly satisfactory, under the circumstance of
ıe superintendent's absence abroad.

The high and as we believe well merited tribute of the acting superintendent to the gra-
uating class, justifies the hope that their example will not be without its influence upon
ıe incoming first class, and upon the whole corps, and that mindful as well of their own
uties, as of the heavy responsibilities of that estimable officer and gentleman, all will be
ıore than ever anxious to acquit themselves well of their respective duties, and that the
oard of visitors at its next meeting will have the satisfaction of finding that the corps of
adets, without exception, have stood up to their duties in the manly and honorable spirit
hich should characterize the cadets of the Virginia military institute.

WM. H. RICHARDSON.
GEO. BLOW, Jr.
EDWARD C. BUNKER.

ol. Philip St. Geo. Cocke,
Pres. B. V. V. M. I.

ACTING SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

VIRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE,
JUNE 24, 1858.

SIR,

I have the honor of presenting to the board of visitors the report of the superintendent.

Col. Smith on the 3d inst. left the institute to visit Europe—and by the regulations I, as senior professor, was put in charge as acting superintendent. The board will feel sensibly the want of the aid of the superintendent, whose long service had given him that perfect familiarity with the details of every operation of the institute, which cannot be expected to be possessed by any one else.

To the report of the superintendent, coming up as it does within a few weeks of the present time, and covering by its estimates the whole of the next year, I have but little to add. In the report of the superintendent only the estimated expenditures and receipts of the department of the Virginia military institute proper are given. The actual expenditures and receipts are presented in the report of the treasurer.

I have prepared a table showing the actual average amount expended by each member of the present graduating class. The board will perceive that the general average of the pay cadets is $ 362 77, being less than the published estimate, which is $ 365. The general average of the state cadets is $139 58, while the estimated average is $ 148. It will be noticed also that there is but little difference between the expenses of different cadets. This proves the efficiency of the system to control the expenses of the cadets, and the steadiness with which it has been applied.

I am able to present to the board more exact information than was possessed by the superintendent in relation to the obtaining of a supply of water for the institute. A survey of some of the principal localities, executed by Major Williamson, gives accurate measurements, levels and topographical features.

I have to make the sad and solemn announcement that death has visited the institute. Cadet W. W. Govan of Amherst died on the 9th inst. He was a member of the second class, a young man of fine promise, and much beloved by his comrades. The last sad honors were duly paid to his remains, which were accompanied by an escort of cadets to the city of Richmond, by order of the adjutant general of the state, where they were received with military honors, and thus conducted to their final resting place in Hanover county.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN T. L. PRESTON,
Acting Supt. V. M. I.

COL. PHILIP ST. GEO. COCKE,
Pres. B. V. V. M. I.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

HEAD QUARTERS,
VIRGINIA MIL. INSTITUTE,
May 15, 1858.

SIR,

Availing myself of the kind privilege extended to me by the board of visitors, I shall expect to be in Europe at the time appointed for their annual meeting. I have therefore to anticipate, by one month, my usual annual report; and although it must, on this account, be less perfect than would be desirable, it is believed that, with the accompanying reports of the various departments of the institute, and by the aid of the books kept by the proper officers, the fullest information will be in possession of the board, to enable them to ascertain the true condition of the institution.

FINANCES.

The financial operations of the institute, for convenience and simplicity, are classified under four distinct heads or departments, as follows:

1. *The Virginia Military Institute Account.*

2. *The Quartermaster's Department.*

3. *The Subsistence Department.*

4. *The Building Fund Account.*

These various accounts will be explained in detail, and their present actual condition exhibited.

1. *The Virginia Military Institute Account* embraces in its *receipts* the annual state appropriation, the pay of the ordnance sergeant, the tuition fees of the pay cadets, the fees for diplomas to graduates, the commission for the safe-keeping and disbursement of the deposits of cadets, and the charge for music.

These *receipts*, upon the basis of 118 pay and 32 state cadets, amount in the aggregate to the annual sum of (A) - - - - $18,750 00

The Virginia military institute account is charged with the pay of the professors, treasurer, ordnance sergeant and musicians, with the support of the state cadets, and with contingent expenses for servants, printing, postage, &c. amounting in the aggregate, and upon the basis of 32 state cadets, to the annual sum of (A) - - - - - $18,750 00

The estimated *receipts* are just sufficient to meet the estimated *charges*, with only $166 for *current* contingent expenses, and without one dollar for *extraordinary* contingencies.

The annual charge of the 32 state cadets, on account of the present rate of boarding, just 100 per cent. above that which existed when the institute went into operation, involving in this way an annual charge to this account of $2,112, for which no provision is made by law. The treasurer's report shows a balance against the Virginia military institute account, at the end of the present fiscal year, of $618 44. This balance results partly from the causes just mentioned, but it is chiefly owing to the expense for the support of *eight* additional state cadets, appointed by the board at their last annual meeting. These two items amount in the aggregate to $1,440.

Extraordinary charges for the support of one additional assistant professor, and other contingencies have, at the same time, absorbed the balance to the credit of the Virginia military institute account at the close of the last fiscal year.

As it was the intention of the board, in appointing the eight additional state cadets, that their expenses should be borne by the subsistence department, the balance against the Virginia military institute account will be transferred to the debit of the subsistence department, and will be discharged by that department in the course of the next year.

2. *The Quartermaster's Department* supplies the clothing, fuel, lights, books and washing of the cadets. The *receipts* embrace credits for the amount of goods sold, at an advance of 20 per cent. upon the invoice price of such goods, and the actual cost of fuel, lights and washing furnished.

The total amount of these receipts for the past year, was (B) - -		27,907 7[illegible]
Goods on hand, as per inventory, - - - -		7,600 6[illegible]
Balance to the credit of the department, June 1857, - -		3,766 1[illegible]
Total credits,		39,274 5[illegible]
The *charges* against this department embrace the amount paid for goods, fuel, lights and washing, and for house rent and fuel of professors, making an aggregate for the past year, of (B) -	28,583 88	
Existing liabilities (B), - - - -	9,638 64	
Total debits,		38,222 5[illegible]
Balance to the credit of quartermaster's department,		$1,052 0[illegible]

3. *The Subsistence Department* conducts the mess arrangements of the cadets. The credits embrace the allowance for the board of the cadets, laborers and servants, and for sales to officers, &c., amounting in the aggregate, for the past year, to the sum of (C) - - - 23,109 52
Provisions on hand, - - - - - 2,376 45

Total credits, 25,485 97

This department is charged with the cost of provisions, furniture, pay of steward, hire of servants, and current and extraordinary contingencies, amounting in the aggregate, for the past year, to (C) - - 25,182 74

Balance to the credit of the subsistence department, $303 23

The entire profit of the subsistence department for the past year, above current expenses, has been $1,141 56. Of this sum $433 48 have been appropriated to the extinction of the debt remaining against it at the end of the last fiscal year, and $404 85 for *permanent* improvements. The balance to the credit of this department is exclusive of

property belonging to the department, and which has accumulated from year to year, from its profits, embracing at their present cash value:

Silver in use,	693 05
One man servant (baker),	1,000 00
One horse,	100 00
Table furniture (new),	373 04
Hospital furniture in use,	2,432 70
Total,	$4,598 79

An examination of the tabular and comparative statements of the steward will show the great increase in the expenses of boarding since the year 1850. During the past year the average expense for each cadet per month was $10 36, leaving a profit of but 64 cents per month for each cadet, exclusive of the wear and tear of furniture. With beef at 8 cents per pound for ten months, and at 10 cents per pound for the first two months of the year, it will be easy to see the main cause of the expense of living now, as compared with 1850, when beef was readily purchased at 4½ cents. But it has been the aim of the department to increase the variety of the fare, and to improve the manner in which it has been served up; and while these improvements have involved additional expense, they have contributed materially to the comfort of the cadets, and enable me to report this department in a better condition now than it has ever been before. In anticipation of my absence, I have made a contract for the supply of fresh beef for the next three years, with a responsible farmer of the county, at 6½ cents, which is herewith submitted. This contract will cause a saving to the subsistence department of not less than $1,000 per annum, on the expenses of the past year. As it is important to continue the present general good character of the fare, and as the department is charged with the debt outstanding against the Virginia military institute account, and also for the balance due for building new mess hall, I do not propose any reduction in the price of board, the margin being already small enough for these purposes.

4. *The Building Fund Account* includes receipts from appropriations for building purposes, and the payments made for the same.

This fund is credited with the amount appropriated under act of March 31, 1858,		10,000 00
Also with balance to the credit of building fund, on the books of the treasurer, June 1857,		123 29
Total credits,		10,123 29
The debits against the fund include payments made, as per treasurer's report,	4,487 60	
And to the Lexington savings institution,	6,352 10	
		10,839 70
Balance against building fund account,		$716 41

This balance, with a balance due R. P. White, estimated at about $600, and which it was impossible to close in consequence of the absence of Mr. White, will leave a debt of $1,316 41, which will be transferred to the subsistence department account, and paid out of its profits during the next year.

In the above exhibit of the financial operations of the institute, it is necessary to bear in mind that the *Virginia military institute account alone is that upon which the current sup-*

port of the institute depends. The quartermaster's department account and the subsistenc department account embrace the operations of departments which were organized upo the principle of being *self-sustaining.* Although they have enabled us to provide for man necessary wants which the Virginia military institute fund did not and could not meet, n charge out of the legitimate range of these departments can be imposed upon them.

The treasurer's report very properly consolidates the balances in all these accounts, i his recapitulation, as exhibiting the actual state of the funds of the institute.

The building fund account of course is a special account kept distinct as having referenc to special operations not designed to be permanent.

A careful examination of the financial operations of the institute will enable the boar to see that the means provided by the state for the current support of the institution, hav not been proportionate to the necessary charge for this support. The fact referred to i the operations of the subsistence department demonstrates one of the causes of this defi ciency. It costs at this time to provide for the boarding of a state cadet, just 100 per cent more than it did in 1839-40, and the present money value of the state appropriation o $7,710 is thus reduced by the sum of $2,112. The same causes which have operated t make the expense of living double for the cadet, made it necessary to increase the provi sion for the salaries of the professors; and this additional charge has been imposed upo the funds of the institute, without the slightest provision from the state for such a purpose It is again, therefore, most respectfully but earnestly presented, whether the Literary fun of the state may not provide such an increase to the permanent fund of the institute, a shall at least place it upon a footing equal to that *existing in* 1840, and thus relieve th quartermaster's department and subsistence department from charges which they can some times but insufficiently meet. The full salary of Professor Crutchfield is also to be pro vided for.

COURSE OF INSTRUCTION.

The departments of instruction, distributed by the regulations through eleven distinct heads, are assigned to six professors, one adjunct professor, and five assistant professors as follows:

1. *Department of Mathematics*—Col. F. H. Smith, A. M., Professor, Capt. S. Crutchfield, Adjunct Professor, Capt. L. B. Williams and Lt. J. H. Lane, Assistant Professors.

2. *Department of English and Latin*—Major J. T. L. Preston, A. M., Professor, and Lieut. P. P. Slaughter, Assistant Professor.

3. *Department of Engineering, Architecture, Drawing and Geography*—Major T. H. Williamson, Professor.

4. *Department of Chemistry, Geology and Mineralogy, and Infantry Tactics*—Major Wm. Gilham, A. M., Professor, and Lieut. Geo. M. Edgar, Assistant Professor. The assistant professors in the other departments are also assistant instructors of infantry tactics.

5. *Department of Natural and Experimental Philosophy, and Artillery Tactics*—Major T. J. Jackson, Professor.

6. *Department of French Language*—Major R. E. Colston, Professor, and Lieut. E. V. Bargamin, Assistant Professor.

The course of instruction in these departments during the past year has not varied ma-

erially from the preceding year, and I would respectfully refer to my annual report of 1857 for a detailed report of the operations of each of these departments.

I would again most earnestly press upon the board the importance of having at least one dditional professor. There are parts of the course of instruction assigned to the depart-ıent of English and Latin and to mathematics—such as constitutional law and moral hilosophy—which might very appropriately be embraced under the instruction of one epartment, and at the same time provide for more systematic instruction, by placing these ubjects under the charge of this professor. At all events, it is suggested, that until some rovision is made for the organization of this department, the board assign to appropriate rofessors the responsibility of the charge of the declamation and composition exercises, vhich are now voluntarily assumed by three of them.

It is also suggested, that Professor Crutchfield be placed upon the academic board of he institute, and be thus relieved from his duty as an assistant instructor of tactics.

The instruction of the classes in the evidences of christianity and in the Bible has been egularly conducted every Sabbath, by Major Preston, Major Gilham and the superinten-dent, by an equal distribution of the labor.

It has been some years the desire of the board that the cadets should be instructed in avalry tactics, and also in movements of light artillery; and the limited means of the nstitute have alone postponed the execution of this scheme for perfecting the military nstruction of the institute. The reorganization of the militia of the state, under a recent ıct of the general assembly, and the appointment of many of our graduates to the respon-sible duty of brigade inspectors, seem to require that we should put the military instruc-tion of the institute upon such a basis as shall qualify the graduates for any and every service to which an officer and a soldier may be properly called. No provision being made by the state for the expensive arrangements of this instruction, I can only now suggest a temporary expedient, which has been presented to me by many of the cadets themselves, and by their parents.

The cavalry and light artillery drills might be commenced with 30 horses. It has been ascertained that the parents of at least 30 cadets in the first and second classes are willing to supply temporarily a horse for each, provided the expense of keeping the same can be borne by the institute. The commandant of cadets, who has given the matter a careful examination, is of opinion that these 30 horses can be kept at the institute, when their services in doing the necessary hauling of the institute is estimated, at about $1,800 per annum. A charge of fifteen dollars upon each cadet, exclusive of those supplying horses, would raise the amount required until provision is made by the state for the supply of this necessary part of a soldier's education. The subject is particularly referred to the attention of the board; and Major Gilham will explain the details of the scheme pro-posed, so as to enable the board to examine it fully.

I would only mention in this connection, that two citizens of Virginia, who were in former years members of our board of visitors, are so deeply impressed with the impor-tance of the cavalry school, that they have signified to me that they will each make a donation to the institute of a fine horse as soon as the board shall arrange it.

COMPLETION OF BARRACKS AND SUPPLY OF WATER.

The act of the general assembly of March 31, 1858, makes provision for the completion of the barracks, the supply of water, and improvement of the grounds. The work to be executed on the barracks is of so simple a character, that the board will experience no

difficulty in ordering its execution, inasmuch as the expense of the various items can b with the most perfect accuracy ascertained and the entire cost determined. The hire o one additional hand and the purchase of a horse and cart, will enable the superintenden to commence and carry on the work of leveling and fixing the public grounds, and put th whole in a condition that will carry out the designs of the law.

An abundant supply of water involves more difficulty; and that the board may ac understandingly upon the subject, I submit for their consideration the various plans whic have suggested themselves to me:

1. The institute owns, in conjunction with Washington college, one-fourth of the larg spring in the Brushy hills near Lexington, which supplies the town of Lexington wit water, and also the whole of a smaller spring, the water of which was, under the forme contract with the town of Lexington, conducted through the town pipes. The institute' portion of these springs is one-eighth of the large spring and one-half of the small spring In company with Major Williamson, I measured the flow of water last fall, and in the mids of a rather dry spell, and we found the flow to be at the rate of about 32 gallons pe minute, or 24 gallons per minute from the larger spring, and 8 gallons per minute fron the smaller. The portion of water coming to the institute would therefore be 7 gallon per minute, or 10,080 gallons per day. This is an abundant supply for all the wants of th institute; and I present it as the best and most reliable source, as at this time advised from which to secure water. The objections to it consist in the distance to which th pipes will necessarily have to be laid, and the difficulty that may arise in making a prope division of the water at the spring. The first objection will exist in a greater or les extent, if water be obtained from any other spring, and I presume commissioners migh determine the mode of dividing the separate rights in the springs.

2. To avoid the least difficulty, and at the same time to afford to the town of Lexingto the full benefit of all the water flowing from the Brushy hill springs, my attention ha been turned to some other springs in the neighborhood, especially those belonging to Mr James Plunkett, Mr. J. Ruff and Mr. Matthew White. I have had the two first spring leveled, and I have no doubt an abundant supply can be obtained by combining these tw springs. There is no doubt with reference to the elevation and supply from Mr. White' spring. The chief difficulty is in the disposition of the parties to grant the use of th water—and I have been unable to obtain from either of them any estimate as to the value placed by them upon the water right that would be desired. Possibly an arrangement might be made with the corporation of Lexington, by which either of these springs, as might be determined, might be condemned for public uses, and the exclusive use transferred to the institute, upon a relinquishment on the part of the institute of its rights in the Brushy hill springs to the town of Lexington. If such an arrangement can be made upon fair terms, it would be desirable to agree to it, for the institute should desire to co-operate with the authorities of the corporation of Lexington in securing a full supply of water for all the wants of the entire community.

3. Or water for heating and lighting purposes might be obtained by forcing pumps from the North river or from Wood's creek, either by arrangement with either of the mills of Dr. Leyburn or Mr. Jordan, on the North river, or by independent power put up by the institute. I have not had time to make the fullest estimates on this subject, but I am under the impression that either of these plans would involve a constant expense in the superintendence and repairs which the machinery would require, and that the expense would exceed the means appropriated for the object.

The board may, without much personal labor or fatigue, examine the various springs referred to above, have them measured in their presence, and signify their views and instruc-

tions for the guidance of the superintendent; and should they think proper to adopt at once either of these plans, the estimates of cost are accessible to them at short notice, and definite orders may be given for the execution of the law.

As the question is one that may be embarrassed, from the conflicting interests referred to, it may be advisable to secure from the town of Lexington, for another year, the privilege which the town has very courteously extended to us of using the water flowing through their pipes. The wet season has replenished the springs very much, and it is not probable that any deficiency will exist for a year or more to come. The arrangement, therefore, is not likely to be a matter of inconvenience to the town of Lexington, and it will afford the board a full opportunity of acting understandingly upon a most important question. From the kindness manifested by the authorities of Lexington, in my intercourse with them on the subject, I think such arrangement can be effected without any difficulty.

HEALTH OF THE INSTITUTION.

In obedience to orders received from the governor, the corps of cadets, after leaving a guard in charge of the arsenal, was present at the inauguration of the equestrian statue of Washington, on the 22d February.

The occasion was one possessing unusual interest to every Virginian, and it afforded me pleasure to be able to make the visit with 142 cadets, without accident or serious inconvenience. Shortly after the return of the cadets, measles made their appearance among them, and we have had some 26 cases. The disease was of a mild form, and with the exception of some five or six cases of relapse from cold, readily yielded to treatment. We have realized during this epidemic the great value of our hospital arrangements, by which we were enabled to provide for the comfortable care of some 16 patients at one time, and to nurse all through their sickness without any death. It gives me pleasure to state that the surgeon, Dr. E. L. Graham, was prompt and attentive in the discharge of his duty, and in suggesting the means necessary to be adopted to promote the comfort and safety of the sick. Some of the cadets, under the authority of the board, called in other professional assistance, and I am sure no institution could have passed through so much sickness with so little real discomfort.

I cannot close my official connection with this institution, even for a season, without conveying to the board of visitors my deep sense of the support and kindness which I have at all times received at their hands. The consciousness that I have been officially connected with gentlemen who have given me liberal support in my administration of the responsible office which I have now held for nineteen years, and who have been as considerate in making allowances for errors as they have been kind in bestowing approval, has sustained me in the midst of labors, the full influences of which I have felt and realized, but which I find it difficult either to estimate or to express.

While I thank you, from my heart, for these evidences of your kindness, I would hope that the privilege which I am now allowed of a little repose, may qualify me for the better discharge of my duties for the future, and thus enable me to make some return in a more earnest and more efficient service.

That the blessing of God may rest upon you and the institution over which you preside, is the sincere desire of,

Very respectfully,

Your ob't serv't,

FRANCIS H. SMITH, *Supt.*

Pres. Board of Visitors V. M. I.

A

Estimated Statement of Annual Receipts and Liabilities of the Virginia Military Institute Account from July 1, 1858, *to July* 1, 1859.

RECEIPTS:		
Annual state appropriation,		7,710 00
Literary fund appropriation,		1,500 00
Tuition fees of 118 pay cadets,		7,080 00
Pay of ordnance and quartermaster sergeant,		360 00
Commission account (estimated),		1,200 00
Musician fund,		700 00
Diplomas,		200 00
		$18,750 00
LIABILITIES:		
Support of 32 state cadets, at $132,	4,224 00	
Salaries of superintendent, assistant professors and treasurer,	13,300 00	
Pay of ordnance sergeant,	360 00	
Musicians,	700 00	
Current expenses,	166 00	
		$18,750 00

Statement showing the actual Annual Expenses of each Pay and State Cadet a the Virginia Military Institute, of the Graduating Class, July 4, 1858.

Estimated annual expenses of a pay cadet,		$ 365 0
PAY CADETS:		
M. B. Hardin,		357 7
L. W. Reid,		335 4
G. E. Tayloe,		375 0
N. C. Wilson,		349 3
J. T. W. Hairston,		368 5
L. L. Marks,		342 5
J. Armistead,		416 3
T. L. Pitts,		371 1
J. M. Kincheloe,		363 0
T. S. Taylor,		355 5
H. L. Norfleet,		344 0
H. B. Meade,		366 6
S. Wilson,		383 8
J. B. Terrill,		346 9
J. Breckinridge.		365 6
General average of each,	$ 362 77.	
Estimated annual expenses of a state cadet,		148 0
STATE CADETS:		
W. E. Cutshaw,		131 5
E. C. Edmonds,		148 5
D. W. Flowerree,		138 7
J. F. Neff, was a pay cadet for years,		210 7
General average of each,	$ 139 58.	

B

QUARTERMASTER'S DEPARTMENT,
VIRGINIA MIL. INSTITUTE,
June 30, 1858.

IR,

I have the honor to present herewith statements of the operations of this department for the year ending June 30, 1858.

By reference to these statements, you will find that the treasurer has disbursed for this epartment $28,583 88, which is offset by credits from the sale of merchandise, amounting $31,673 93, leaving a balance with the treasurer to the credit of the department, of 3,090 05. The liabilities of the department amount to $9,638 64; to meet which there , in addition to the balance against the treasurer, merchandise in charge of the quarteraster, valued at $7,600 65, which leaves a clear balance to the credit of the department, f $1,052 06.

Statement 3 shows an outlay for the department, of $3,311, for which no credit is taken the estimate of assets, and the balance to the credit of the department, at the close of the st fiscal year, has been reduced by that amount.

Respectfully submitted.

R. H. CATLETT,
Q. M. V. M. I.

OL. F. H. SMITH,
Supt. V. M. I.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Treasurer Virgini
for the year endin

1857.		
June 30,	To balance to the credit of quartermaster's department, -	3,766 1
Aug.	To amount of goods furnished cadets on outfit, - -	1,169 9
Oct.	Do. do. for quarter, - -	12,504 1
Nov.	To sundry cadets, - - - -	442 6
	To sales to professors, - - - -	431 6
1858.		
Feb.	To amount of goods furnished cadets for quarter, - -	6,941 5
	To cash for sales to professors, - - -	180 0
April,	To amount of goods furnished cadets for quarter, - -	5,989 0
	To sundries, - - - -	248 9
		$ 31,673 9
	Balance to the credit of the quartermaster's department,	$ 3,090 0

ilitary Institute, on account of the Quartermaster's Department
Iay 15th, 1858.

1857.			
ıly,	By cash paid sundries,	- - - -	5,618 77
ug.	Do. do.	- - - -	546 20
ept.	Do. do.	- - - -	2,452 19
ct.	Do. do.	- - - -	2,932 82
ov.	Do. do.	- - - -	2,131 31
ec.	Do. do.	- - - -	1,165 58
	Do. cadets,	- - - -	1,419 15
1858.			
ın.	By cash paid sundries,	- - - -	2,536 79
eb.	Do. do.	- - - -	2,029 90
	Do. cadets,	- - - -	391 14
arch,	Do. sundries,	- - - -	1,474 92
pril,	Do. do.	- - - -	2,426 18
	Do. cadets,	- - - -	106 10
	Do. sub. department,	- - - -	2,207 83
	Do. V. M. institute,	- - - -	804 25
ay,	Do. sundries,	- - - -	303 00
	Do. V. M. institute,	- - - -	37 75
		Balance,	3,090 05
			$31,673 93

Statement exhibiting the Condition of the Quartermaste

1858.			
May 1, To	Ginter & Alvey, Richmond,		326
	Wilson G. Hunt & Co., New York,		2,250
	Strattan & Brother, Philadelphia,		129
	Darris & Jones, New York,		557
	D Evans & Co., Attleboro',		250
	W. H. Cary & Co., New York,		103
	Richardson & Co., Richmond,		1,321
	Pegram, Paynter & Davis, Baltimore,		182
	Charles Desilver, Philadelphia,		694
	G. J. Sumner, Richmond,		154
	Charles Deaver, Lexington,		368
	G. A. Baker, "		800
	Norgrove & Vanderslice, Lexington,		554
	Mrs. Winn (estimated for quarter), Lexington,		350
	Mr. Shaner, do. do. do.		700
	Ball account,		695
	Outstanding accounts (estimated),		200
		Balance,	1,052
			$10,690

Department Virginia Military Institute, May 15th, 1858.

1858.		
May 1,	To net value of available property on hand, as per inventory,	7,600 65
	balance against treasurer V. M. I.,	3,090 05
		$10,690 70
1858.		
May 15,	By balance,	$1,052 06

Statement of the Debits and Credits of the Heating and Lighting Account for th year ending June 30, 1858.

Dr.

1858.			
June 1,	To wood, rosin, coal, labor, &c.		2,704 0
	contingencies,		50 0
			2,754 0

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1858.			
June 1,	By fuel and lights for 147 cadets, at $18,	2,646 00	
	light for subsistence department,	100 00	
			2,746 0
		To balance,	$8 0

Statement exhibiting Expenditures by Quartermaster's Department, for permanent improvements and other purposes, during the past year, no part of which has been included in the Quartermaster's Statement of Assets.

Pipes, fittings, &c. for new wing of barracks, - - -	787 00
Gas generator, fittings, freight, &c. - - -	1,100 00
Balance on the books of the quartermaster against the V. M. institute, placed by order of the superintendent, to profit and loss account, -	700 00
Bad debts charged to quartermaster's department, - -	724 00
	$3,311 00

June 30, 1858.

Statement of Balances due by Ex-Cadets on the Books of the Treasurer Virginia Military Institute, June 30, 1858.

E. L. Archer,	70 10	W. A. Thompson,	52 0
J. W. Baldwin,	28 26	M. T. Wheatley,	46 3
E. T. Bridges,	81 27	G. Bean,	14 3
J. Byrd,	42 01	A. Rowe,	19 6
R. T. Daniel,	76 48	I. M. Steptoe,	132 5
A. B. Dudley,	54 09	C. C. Burks,	59 2
F. M. Fortney,	70 00	S. H. Austin,	21 3
J. Giles,	32 73	D. McBrowne,	135 3
G. Gray,	121 70	M. Gouldin,	204 7
H. Kerr,	79 36	A. H. Haden,	198 1
S. D. Kennedy,	12 56	J. W. Hill,	88 1
E. B. Montague,	9 31	R. J. W. Love,	41 9
W. S. Parran,	25 51	C. Dixon,	10 5
N. Tyler,	34 64	J. F. Piggott,	23 2
R. Tyler,	8 75	T. Pollard,	52 4
W. S. Van Doren,	164 57	J. C. Floyd,	84 4
G. Waddill,	37 51	G. H. Toole,	28 7
E. Wall,	17 50	J. Q. Richardson,	135 5
E. Wallazz,	79 00	H. C. Beekham,	17 8
J. E. Jordan,	50 00	J. E. Ficklin,	96 2
J. F. Alexander,	12 00	J. L. Cross,	34 7
W. D. Coleman,	354 42	T. Halcomb,	53 9
D. S. Hounshell,	48 88	J. Perkins,	81 6
E. A. Langhorne,	41 18	B. E. Smith,	46 2
A. Lewis,	19 13		
T. B. Robinson,	37 39		$3,567 6
C. P. Rumbough,	279 06		

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SUBSISTENCE DEPARTMENT V. M. I.
May 1858.

IR,

I have the honor to present herewith an exhibit of the operations of my epartment for the past year.

Very respectfully, &c.

JNO. T. GIBBS,
Com'y Sub. V. M. I.

OL. F. H. SMITH,
Supt. V. M. I.

Dr.—*Current Expenses of the Subsistence Department Virgini*

1857.		
June,	To provisions on hand,	1,872 2
1858.	provisions purchased during year,	16,532 5
	provisions estimated for May,	1,000 0
	salary of commissary, hire of cooks, waiters, &c.	2,045 0
	washing,	145 6
	freight, toll, insurance, &c.	478 8
	wood,	681 1
	oil, candles, &c.	88 2
	carpentry, repairs, &c.	104 9
	medicines,	14 0
	oven and stove,	100 7
	steam generator and fixtures,	214 6
	crockery, glass, &c.	77 2
	stove and drum,	40 2
	table cloth and crash,	131 9
	stools, tables and desk,	49 2
	ice for 1858,	85 2
	gas to June 1858,	100 0
	sundries, per statement,	1,420 6
	balance,	303 2
		$25,485 9

Military Institute for the year ending June 1858.—Cr.

1858.			
ne, By board of cadets, - - -	18,900 39		
less board refunded, - - -	201 97		
		18,798	42
board of visitors, - - -		652	76
board of officers and others, and sales of provisions,		2,032	06
sales of grease and tallow, - -		134	89
breakages refunded, - - -		50	52
hospital charges, - - -		341	00
sundries, - - -		1,099	87
provisions, &c. on hand, - -		2,376	45
		$25,485	97

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Com'y Sub. V. M. I.

L. F. H. Smith,
Supt. V. M. I.

Dr.—*Subsistence Department Virginia Military Institute—*

1857.		
June,	To cash paid by treasurer,	460 4
July,	" "	2,923 7
Aug.	" "	1,375 8
Sept.	" "	2,572 2
Oct.	" "	616 1
Nov.	" "	399 1
	To board refunded,	60 3
Dec.	" "	8
	To cash paid by treasurer,	1,171 4
1858.		
Jan.	" "	1,251 6
	To board refunded,	74 8
Feb.	To cash paid by treasurer,	1,089 8
March,	" "	1,652 2
April,	" "	5,995 5
	To board refunded,	66 0
May,	To cash paid by treasurer,	36 2
	Balance,	4,885 2
		$24.631 8

account with Treasurer Virginia Military Institute.—Cr.

1857.			
une 1,	By balance,	2,193	49
ct.	board of cadets,	8,868	59
	visitors,	652	76
ov.	cadets,	31	03
1858.			
an.	do.	10,000	77
pril,	do.	5	00
	sundries furnished Virginia military institute,	672	37
	quartermaster's department,	2,207	83
		$24,631	84

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Com'y Sub. V. M. I.

OL. F. H. Smith,
Supt. V. M. I.

Dr.—*Statement exhibiting Condition of Subsisten*

1858.		
May,	To outstanding claims, per statement below, - -	5,958 4
	To estimated purchases for May, - - -	1,000 0
	To balance, - - - - - -	303 2
		$7.261 7

Outstanding Claims.

Wm. Henderson, - - -	45 00
E. Tutwiler, - - - -	10 20
M. Humbles, - - - -	63 00
John Treavy, - - - -	283 00
Chas. Heldt, - - - -	39 60
Henry Brown, - - - -	116 53
A. Zollman, - - - -	14 70
Richardson & Co. - - -	61 03
Bacon & Baskervill, - - -	2,583 67
Watson Almond, - - -	1,531 95
Geo. Sumner, - - - -	106 74
J. McCarthy, - - - -	271 50
Kinnear & Lyle, - - -	25 10
J. & I. Prague & Co. - - -	431 12
Dixon & Lackey, - - -	265 30
Hopkins & Campbell, - - -	28 85
Steiner, Bros. & Co. - - -	10 00
Sundry small amounts, - - -	71 20
	$5,958 49

epartment Virginia Military Institute, June 1858.—Cr.

1858.		
ay,	By balance, - - - - -	4,885 27
	By provisions on hand, - - - -	2,376 45
		$7,261 72

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Com'y Sub V. M. I.

ol. F. H. Smith,
Supt. V. M. I.

Dr.—*Statement exhibiting the Operations of and estimated Condition of the Sub*

1857, June 1.		
Balance due, per statement of last year, - -		433 4
Provisions on hand, - - - -	1,872 26	
Less debt due for same, - - - -	433 48	
		1,438 7
Current expenses, embracing:		
Purchase of provisions, - - - -	16,532 56	
Do. do. for May (estimated), - -	1,000 00	
Salary of commissary and hire of cooks, waiters, &c. -	2,045 02	
Washing, - - - - -	145 69	
Freight, toll, &c. - - - -	478 88	
Wood, oil, candles and gas, - - -	869 37	
Carpentry, repairs, &c. - - - -	104 93	
Medicines, - - - - -	14 09	
Table furniture, - - -	209 18	
Ice for 1858, - - - - -	85 25	
Incidental, - - - - -	330 30	
Horse feed, - - - - -	68 20	
		21,883 4
Permanent improvements:		
Oven and stove, - - - -	100 70	
Steam generator and fixtures, - - -	214 65	
Stove and drum, - - - -	40 25	
Stools, tables and desk, - - - -	49 25	
		404 8
Extraordinary expenditures:		
Purchases for other departments, - - -	513 37	
Transportation of cadets on trip to Richmond, - -	508 79	
		1,022 1
Balance to credit of department, - - -		303 2
		$25.485 9

stence Department Virginia Military Institute for year ending June 1, 1858.—Cr.

Current credits:		
oard of cadets, - - - -		18,798 42
Extraordinary credits:		
oard of visitors, - - - -	652 76	
oard of officers and others, and sales of provisions, -	2,032 06	
ales of grease and tallow, - - - -	134 89	
reakages refunded, - - - -	50 52	
ospital charges, - - - -	341 00	
ales to departments and expenses of trip to Richmond, refunded, - - - - -	1,099 87	
		4,311 10
rovisions on hand, - - -		2,376 45
		$25,485 97

JNO. T. GIBBS,
Com'y Sup. V. M. I.

Table exhibiting the Comparative Cost of Provisions at the Prices paid in Apr
1850 *and* 1858.

ARTICLES.	Cost 1850.		Cost 1858.	
4½ bushels apples,	75 cents per bushel,	3 37	$1 per bushel,	4
763 pounds bacon,	9 cents per pound,	68 67	1s. per pound,	127
5092 pounds beef,	4½ cents per pound,	229 14	8 cents per pound,	407
400 pounds butter,	1s. per pound,	66 66	28 cents per pound,	112
552 pounds "	9d. per pound,	69 00	20 cents per pound,	110
30 pounds candles,	28 cents per pound,	8 40	25 cents per pound,	7
270 pounds coffee,	10 cents per pound.	27 00	14 cents per pound,	37
50 bushels meal,	40 cents per bushel,	20 00	55 cents per bushel,	27
450 dozen eggs,	8⅓ cents per dozen,	37 50	10 cents per dozen,	45
24 barrels flour,	$4 per barrel,	96 00	$5 25 per barrel,	126
1 pound ginger,	- -	25	- -	
720 gallons milk,	9d. per gallon,	90 00	9d. per gallon,	90
65 gallons molasses,	40 cents per gallon,	26 00	50 cents per gallon,	32
4 pounds mustard,	50 cents per pound,	2 00	40 cents per pound,	1
10 pounds pepper,	9d. per pound,	1 25	14 cents per pound,	1
84 bushels potatoes,	35 cents per bushel,	29 40	50 cents per bushel,	42
1⅔ sacks salt,	$3 20 per sack,	5 34	$3 per sack,	5
1139 pounds coffee sugar,	8 cents per pound,	91 12	10½ cents per pound,	119
200 pounds crushed sugar,	11 cents per pound,	22 00	13 cents per pound,	26
14 pounds tea,	$1 08 per pound,	15 12	$1 per pound,	14
20 gallons vinegar,	20 cents per gallon,	4 00	20 cents per gallon,	4
20 cords wood,	$2 50 per cord,	50 00	$2 50 per cord,	50
		$962 62		1391
				962
Difference in favor of 1850 (showing an advance of 43 per cent),				$428 9

JOHN T. GIBBS,
Com'y Sub. V. M. I

Maj. Preston,
Act'g Supt. V. M. I.

Quantitive Statement of the Principal Articles of Provisions consumed during year ending May 31st, 1858.

MONTHS.	Bacon—pounds.	Beef—pounds.	Butter—pounds.	Coffee—pounds.	Meal—bushels.	Flour—barrels.	Milk—gallons.	Molasses—gallons.	Sugar, brown—pounds.	Sugar, white—pounds.
ne,	554	4054	710	270	46	22	635	40	1258	200
y and August,	836	6545	2000	420	60	37	1281	51	1732	350
ptember,	890	3887	1400	252	64	24	658	40	1541	215
tober,	913	5202	1371	279	65	27	736	32	1185	294
vember,	449	4297	1357	279	43	31	585	40	1275	294
cember,	123	4695	1275	279	28	31	617	80	1346	200
nuary, February, March,	1152	13818	3188	891	143	70	1892	135	3176	653
ril,	763	5092	952	270	50	24	720	65	1139	200
y,	956	5185	1262	279	45	25	720	65	1150	243
TOTAL,	6636	52775	13515	3219	544	291	7844	548	13802	2649
Monthly average,	553	4381	1126	268	45	24	653	45	1150	220

JOHN T. GIBBS,
Com'y Sub. V. M. I.

AJ. PRESTON,
Act'g Supt. V. M. I.

/IRGINIA MILITARY INSTITUTE,

In account with R. H. CATLETT, *Treasurer.*

Dr.

	Voucher.	V. M. I.	Q. M. Dep.	Subsistence Department.	Building Account.
July 1857.					
To amount paid:					
Ir. Gibbs,	1	–	–	100 00	
'oague & Co.	2	–	–	157 69	
Ir. Almond,	3	–	–	120 23	
Ir. Turner,	4	–	–	82 49	
Do.	5	–	121 00		
Cadet Fauntleroy, for ball,	6	–	350 00		
Do. do.	7	–	2 50		
Iajor Jackson, house rent, &c.	8	–	176 80		
'etersburg Intelligencer and Democrat,	9	12 00			
Iusician Staples,	10	88 06			
Iusician Banker,	11	25 00			
Vorgrove & Vanderslice,	12	–	662 22		
Irs. Winn,	13	–	213 75		
Irs. Zollman,	14	–	–	131 85	
Ir. Gibbs,	15	–	–	100 00	
Ir. Deaver,	16	–	800 00		
Ir. Bull,	17	–	50 00		
Ir. Plunkett, postage,	18	49 10			
Ir. Catlett, salary,	19	–	262 50		
I. A. Agner,	20	–	–	125 00	
oseph Block,	21	–	–	296 18	
I. Adams,	22	–	–	14 80	
Ir. Dixon,	22	–	–	55 96	
dams & Co.'s express,	23	–	6 25		
'eyton Johnston,	24	–	200 29		
Ir. Jinks.	25	60 42	95 34		
IcAllister & Brother,	26	–	274 50		
Iajor Colston,	27	–	158 04		
. Desilver, books,	28	–	1854 18		
acon & Baskerville,	28	–	–	1200 00	
. Fenton & Co. tents,	28	151 50			
V. A. Lyle, wood,	29	–	121 25		
V. Almond,	30	–	–	400 00	
Ir. Gibbs,	31	–	–	600 00	
V. G. Hunt & Co.	32	–	69 90		
Ir. Wright,	33	210 43			
Ir. Shaner,	34	–	140 25		
Ir. Crocken,	35	116 59			
Vm. Kenney,	36	–	60 00		
apt. Crutchfield,	37	156 25			
August.					
Irs. Winn,	38	–	153 65		
Ir. Deaver.	39	2 10			
V. G. Hunt & Co.	40	–	308 65		
Ir. White,	41	20 00			
rank Eden,	42	–	–	32 39	
. F. Luhme & Co.	43	110 67			
aidley & Robinson,	43	14 14			
ohn Gibson,	44	–	–	346 68	
. Cherry & Co.	45	–	–	546 37	
. E. Buton,	46	–	45 15		

	Voucher.	V. M. I.	Q. M. Dep.	Subsistence Department.	Building Account
August 1857.					
To amount paid:					
Adams & Co.'s express,	47	–	8 75		
Servant Melton,	48	–	30 00		
Hiram Bancher,	49	50 00			
C. W. Bentley,	50	–	–	214 65	
Major Gilham,	51	116 66			
D. Hileman,	52	–	–	235 78	
September.					
Richmond Whig,	53	18 75			
C. Birmingham,	54	100 00			
J. D. Davidson,	55	–	7 50		
J. W. Barclay,	56	–	372 74		
J. H. Myers,	57	–	–	20 00	
Capt. Williams,	58	100 00			
R. H. Catlett,	59	–	200 00		
C. Desilver,	60	–	76 50		
Robinson & Lord,	61	–	70 50		
R. H. Catlett,	62	–	100 00		
Mr. Almond,	63	–	–	500 00	
Mr. Mann, for Enquirer office,	64	160 34			
J. A. Wilson,	65	–	–	10 82	
Norgrove & Vanderslice,	66	–	588 80		
Mr. White,	67	–	–	–	1000 00
Hopkins & Campbell,	68	–	–	195 20	
Campbell & Co.	69	–	–	53 88	
McClung & Patton,	70	–	–	243 50	
Wm. Kinney,	71	–	96 87		
J. R. Sterrett,	72	–	212 50		
D. Lowman,	73	–	–	374 70	
Mr. Zollman,	74	–	–	42 25	
Mr. Gillock,	75	–	–	14 32	
S. R. Smith,	76	–	131 09		
Mr. Chaplin,	77	–	–	10 00	
Adams & Co.'s express,	78	–	18 75		
Mr. Gibbs,	79	–	–	150 00	
W. G. Hunt & Co.	80	–	317 87		
N. Intelligencer,	81	7 87			
S. M. Dold,	82	80 00	–	11 50	
H. Teaford,	83	–	–	16 50	
Adams' Express Co.	84	20 50			
W. H. Kakle,	85	–	13 50		
Compton & Son,	86	36 46	65 98	21 77	
W. W. Perry,	87	–	–	155 96	
Dr. Marshall,	88	55 95	7 09	5 73	
Mr. Bull,	89	–	100 00		
Nancy Birmingham,	90	–	38 50		
Mr. Almond,	91	–	–	237 90	
W. H. Stran & Co.	92	–	–	100 70	
Mr. Almond,	93	–	–	25 00	
Mr. Senseney,	94	–	–	22 98	
Mr. Trevy,	95	–	–	334 25	
Mr. McCorkle,	96	–	34 00		
Mr. Teaford,	97	–	–	25 25	
Col. Smith,	98	500 00			
October.					
Major Preston,	99	300 00			
Bearer,	100	9 50			
Mr. Shaner,	101	4 32	145 19	163 36	
Mrs. Winn,	102	–	237 73		
Major Colston,	103	225 00			
Major Jackson,	104	300 00			
Major Preston (house rent),	105	–	125 29		
Lt. Edgar,	106	100 00			

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October 1857.					
To amount paid:					
trattan & Brother, - -	107	–	634 19		
Iiss Holt, - -	108	–	21 37		
ol. Paxton, - -	109	13 00			
. W. Kelly, - -	110	19 49			
. F. Jordan, - -	111	–	33 00		
Ir. Pettigrew, for ball, - -	112	6 25	208 01	61 55	
Iajor Gilham, - -	113	288 00			
Iajor Williamson, - -	114	725 00			
uy & Patton, - -	115	–	80 92		
hilip Tabb, - -	116	–	675 00		
. Woodhouse. - -	116	–	224 12		
IcAllister & Brother, - -	116	–	118 00		
. Evans & Co. - -	116	–	430 00		
ollins, Heath & Hutchinson, -	116	–	–	40 25	
r. E. L. Graham, - -	117	–	–	81 60	
Ir. Charlton, - -	118	71 72			
Iusician Staples, - -	119	50 00			
Iusician Bancher, - -	119	50 00			
Ir. Hileman, - -	120	–	–	239 35	
Ir. Wilson, - -	121	–	–	30 00	
t. Slaughter, - -	122	50 00			
ubsistence department, board of state cadets to January 1, 1858, -	123	2298 46			
undries, - -	124	–	252 47		
Do. - -	125	–	1166 68		
November.					
Ir Gibbs, for Dixon & Co. -	126	–	–	160 00	
Iajor Preston, - -	127	100 00			
Ir. Kinney, - -	128	–	–	21 17	
t. Edgar, - -	129	50 00			
ol. Smith, - -	130	200 00			
Ir. Baldwin, - -	131	–	50 00		
Ir. Gibbs, current expenses, -	132	–	–	150 00	
N. Birmingham, - -	133	–	45 16		
Ir. Hatcher, - -	134	–	–	78 40	
acon & Baskerville, - -	135	–	347 75		
. Birmingham, - -	136	40 00			
V. G. Hunt & Co. - -	137	–	1295 74		
oughawait & Co. - -	138	10 00	66 16	38 09	
Ir. Agnor, - -	139	–	–	11 50	
V. Kinney, - -	140	–	100 00		
. R. & W. G. Campbell, -	141	–	26 50		
Ir. Deaver, - -	142	–	200 00		
December.					
R. H. Catlett, - -	143	–	50 00		
A. B. Davidson, - -	144	–	440 33		
Ir. Kahle, - -	145	–	61 75		
V. A. Lyle, - -	146	–	225 00		
Ir. Jinks, - -	147	–	60 00		
t. Lane, - -	148	50 00			
C. Boyle, - -	149	–	–	46 68	
Col. Smith, - -	150	200 00			
S. R. Smith, - -	151	28 50			
Servant for Mrs. Winn, -	152	–	5 00		
Mr. Gibbs, - -	153	–	–	50 00	
Major Jackson, - -	154	40 00			
Do. - -	155	150 00			
R. S. White, - -	156	–	–	270 50	
Mr. McNibit, for Almond, -	157	–	–	383 00	
Mr. Almond, - -	158	–	–	304 98	
Servant Lewis, - -	159	–	15 00		
Dr. Graham, - -	160	162 75			

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December 1857.					
To amount paid:					
Major Gilham,	161	80 00			
S. P. Campbell,	162	–	–	16 30	
Steine, Bro. & Co.	163	–	7 50		
Lt. Edgar,	164	100 00			
Lt. Lane,	164	100 00			
Lt. Slaughter,	164	150 00			
R. H. Catlett,	164	–	100 00		
Capt. Crutchfield,	165	100 00			
Dr. Leyburn,	166	–	101 00		
Mr. Bull,	167	–	100 00		
Mr. Shelbman,	168	–	–	100 00	
Capt. Williams,	169	212 50			
Musician Crocken,	170	61 71			
Do. Staples,	170	70 00			
Do. Bancher,	170	25 00			
Mr. Gillock,	171	5 75			
Adams' Express Co.	172	4 00			
Major Preston,	173	350 00			
Do. Williamson,	174	125 00			
Do. Colston,	175	525 00			
January 1858.					
Mr. Burks,	176	–	–	25 00	
Mr. McDowell,	177	–	120 00		
Mr. Adams,	178	–	125 00		
C. Birmingham,	179	30 00			
Lexington Gazette,	180	–	24 50		
Mrs. Winn,	181	–	248 75		
Poague & Co.	182	–	–	453 94	
Mr. Wright,	183	–	–	–	205 40
Mr. Hileman,	184	–	–	214 25	
John Gibson,	185	–	–	296 00	
Mr. Shaner,	186	–	197 70		
McMath, for Lowman,	187	–	–	200 00	
Norgrove & Vanderslice,	188	–	300 00		
Major Gilham,	189	75 00			
Col. Smith,	190	350 00			
T. B. Plunkett,	191	51 92			
Norgrove & Vanderslice,	192	–	200 00		
P. Johnston & Bro.	193	–	240 06		
Mr. Jinks,	194	89 25			
Mr. Rhodes,	195	59 13			
Major Gilham,	196	320 34			
Ginter & Alvey,	197	–	801 03		
James Rully,	198	–	150 00		
Mr. Turner,	199	–	110 00		
Mr. Sheltman,	200	–	–	62 50	
Mr. Paine,	201	5 00			
Mr. Swenk,	202	–	19 75		
February.					
Mr. Gowl, for Gillock,	203	–	–	40 98	
Mr. Yowl,	204	–	–	64 60	
Mr. Fadden, for Teaford,	205	–	–	100 00	
Major Gilham,	206	30 00			
Wm. McCorkle,	207	–	51 00		
Norgrove & Vanderslice,	208	–	424 90		
Mr. Gibbs,	209	–	–	250 00	
Guy & Patton,	210	–	258 23		
Mr. Shaner,	211	–	200 00		
Mr. Sterrell, for Teaford,	212	–	–	400 00	
Mr. Key.	213	–	–	49 25	
W. G. White & Co.	214	9 92			
Capt. Crutchfield,	215	30 00			

	Voucher.	V. M. I.	Q. M. Dep.	Subsistence Department.	Building Account.
February 1858.					
To amount paid:					
t. Lane,	215	100 00			
t. Slaughter,	215	50 00			
ergt. Hampsey,	216	150 00			
ajor Jackson,	217	260 00			
usician Staples,	218	25 00			
r. Gibbs,	219	–	–	75 00	
. A. Baker,	220	–	600 00		
. Deselver,	221	–	495 77		
r. Estill, hire of servant,	222	–	–	110 00	
ol. Smith,	223	400 00			
. dept. for board of state cadets to July 1,	224	2581 32			
undries,	225	34 32			
Do.	225	–	391 14		
Do.	225	–	–	135 16	
March.					
dams' Express Co.	226	–	24 50		
apt. Wood,	227	–	–	175 00	
apt. Echols,	228	–	–	70 00	
r. McCown,	229	–	12 50		
r. Matier.	230	–	–	19 00	
t. Williams,	231	50 00			
r. Almond,	232	–	–	800 00	
ervant John,	233	–	8 00		
. B. Davidson,	234	–	705 48		
rs. Kinney,	235	–	18 62		
cCrum & Co.	236	55 98			
. G. & W. B. Dixon,	237	–	–	199 60	
r. Kirkpatrick,	238	5 00			
. Birmingham,	239	40 00	18 44		
. H. Duke,	240	78 00			
. Webb,	241	–	–	23 30	
r. Rob,	242	–	–	115 29	
. Bear,	243	12 00			
. H. Locker,	244	13 50			
r. Taylor,	244	–	42 50		
. H. Catlett,	244	–	50 00		
t. Edgar,	244	50 00			
ajor Colston,	244	40 00			
ergt. Hampsey,	245	50 00			
usicians in Richmond,	245	–	–	40 50	
apt. E. Echols,	245	–	–	100 00	
r. Trevy,	245	–	–	40 00	
. Campbell & Co.	246	–	–	69 55	
acfarlane & Fergusson,	247	–	269 30		
. Hutcheson,	248	–	61 83		
r. Davis,	249	–	63 75		
. H. Catlett,	250	–	100 00		
. R. Bull,	250	–	100 00		
r. Graham,	251	–	100 00		
April.					
ajor Gilham,	252	350 00			
ol. Smith,	253	100 00			
innear & Lyle,	254	–	–	232 92	
cMath, for Lowman,	255	–	–	150 00	
ostmann & Sons,	256	–	315 00		
. W. Perry,	257	–	–	230 56	
. Hileman,	258	–	–	229 00	
ajor Colston,	259	185 00			
opkins & Campbell,	260	130 91	29 83	76 12	
r. McLaughlin, for Wade,	261	–	–	–	524 32
. B. Rennick, for R. P. White,	262	–	–	–	1000 00

	Voucher.	V. M. I.	Q. M. Dep.	Subsistence Department.	Buildin Accoun
April 1858.					
To amount paid:					
Capt. Crutchfield,	263	50 00			
Lt. Edgar,	263	50 00			
J. S. McNutt, for Teaford,	264	–	–	124 29	
J. H. Myers, for W. H. Felt & Co.	265	–	60 48		
Mrs. Winn,	266	–	237 13		
Major Jackson,	267	300 00			
Lt. Slaughter,	268	50 00			
S. McD. Moore,	269	10 00	65 55		
W. Davidson,	270	–	–	100 00	
Mr. Almond,	271	–	–	200 00	
Mr. Winn,	272	–	105 62		
J. Compton & Son,	273	11 85	26 02	97 78	
Mr. Gibbs,	274	–	–	257 25	
Mr. Sterrett,	275	–	100 00		
Mr. Senseney,	276	–	37 51		
Mr. Plunkett,	277	26 38			
John Gibson,	278	–	–	229 00	
Musician Staples,	279	75 00			
Mr. Lyle,	280	–	72 50		
Mr. Rully,	281	–	218 00		
Col. Smith,	282	–	–	–	1000 0
Mr. Shaner,	283	–	98 75	201 25	
Major Preston,	284	300 00			
R. H. Catlett,	285	–	100 00		
G. W. Adams,	286	–	–	9 50	
Mr. Wallace,	287	–	–	5 50	
Mr. Deaver,	288	–	859 77		
Lt. Williams,	289	106 25			
Musician Bancher,	290	50 00			
Mr. Dryden,	291	–	–	121 00	
G. W. Smith,	292	29 58			
J. W. Massie,	293	25 00			
D. Humbles,	294	–	–	23 50	
Sub. dept. sundries,	295	672 37			
Q. M. dept. for Major W.	296	250 00			
Sundries,	297	–	106 10		
Sub. department,	298	–	2207 83		
V. M. institute,	299	–	804 25		
Sundry cadets,	300	–	–	3863 87	
Cadet Marable,	301	–	–	81	
May.					
Richmond Enquirer,	302	135 46			
Col. Smith, sal. to July,	303	750 00			
Sampson Jones,	304	–	–	36 29	
Express Co.	305	–	28 00		
Pole, Heck & Eagle,	306	–	–	–	10 57
Major Preston, sal. to July,	307	450 00			
Major Gilham, "	308	525 00			
Major Williamson,	309	750 00			
Major Jackson,	310	450 00			
Major Colston,	311	525 00			
R. H. Catlett,	312	100 00	175 00		
Capt. Crutchfield,	313	288 75			
Capt. Williams,	313	156 25			
Lt. Slaughter,	313	200 00			
Lt. Lane,	313	250 00			
Lt. Edgar,	313	150 00			
Lt. Bargamin,	313	209 00			
Mr. Bull,	314	–	100 00		
V. M. institute,	315	–	37 75	–	747 31
		$22471 22	28583 88	19746 67	4487 60

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	Voucher.	V. M. I. proper.	V. M. I. Tuition.	Q. M. Dep.	Sub. Dep.	Building Account.
1857—June 15.						
By bal. as per last annual report, -	–	1104 38	–	3766 16	2193 49	123 29
November 11.						
By library fees, - -	316	161 00				
By commissions, - -	316	626 36				
By tuition fees of pay cadets, -	316	–	7320 00			
By board of pay cadets to Jan. 1858,	317	–	–	–	6570 13	
By commissions, - -	318	39 08				
By Lex. sav. institution, B	319	282 00				
By Lex. literary fund appro. B	320	1500 00				
By Lex. quarterly appropriation, B	321	1927 50				
By Lex. sav. institution. B	322	20 00				
By sundries, as per Q. M.'s abs't, B	323	–	–	12504 19		
By Lex. sav. institution, B	324	–	–	1169 99		
By sundry cadets, - -	325	–	–	442 66		
By Lex. sav. institution, B	326	–	–	431 61		
By V. M. I. board of state cadets to January 1856. - -	327	–	–	–	2298 46	
1858—January.						
By commissions, - -	328	400 70				
By Lex. sav. institution, B	329	–	–	–	652 76	
February.						
By sundries, as per Q. M.'s abs't, -	330	–	–	6941 50		
By board of pay cadets to July, -	331	–	–	–	7450 48	
By board of state cadets refunded, -	332	20 90				
By Lex. sav. institution, quarterly appropriation, - B	333	1927 50				
By do. do. B	334	1927 50				
By L. sav. institution, - B	335	182 00				
By do. Q. M. dep't, - B	336	–	–	180 00		
By V. M. I. board of s. cadets to July,	337	–	–	–	2581 32	
April.						
By L. s. institution, quarterly appro. B	338	1927 50				
By sundries, as per statement, -	339	–	–	–	2885 20	
By V. M. I. for Major Williamson,	340	–	–	250 00		
By music. &c. - -	299	684 25				
By services of Serg't Hampsey, for Q. M. dep't, - -	340	120 00				
By commissions, - -	341	143 14				
May.						
By sundries, for b. account, -	342	747 31				
By Dr. Graham, - -	342	125 00				
By Q. M. department, - -	342	37 75				
By sundries, diploma fees, -	342	190 00				
By commissions, - -	342	38 91				
By sundries. interest, - -	344	–	–	148 90		
By Dr. Graham, - -	342	–	–	100 00		
By sundries, as per Q. M.'s abs't, -	297	–	–	5739 00		
L. sav. institution, appropriation for building, - B	345	–	–	–	–	10000 00
		$14032 78	7320 00	31673 93	24631 84	10123 29

GENERAL RECAPITULATION.

Cr.		
By amounts received from		
V. M. institute proper, including last balance, - -		14,032 7[illegible]
Tuition fees of pay cadets, - - - -		7,320 0[illegible]
Q. M. department, including last balance, - - -		31,673 9[illegible]
Subsistence department, do. - - -		24,631 8[illegible]
Building account, do. - - -		10,123 2[illegible]
		87,781 8[illegible]
Dr.		
To amount paid for		
V. M. institute, - - - -	22,471 22	
Q. M. department, - - - -	28,583 83	
Subsistence department, - - -	19,746 57	
Building account, - - - -	4,487 60	
		75,289 2[illegible]
By balance on hand June 1, 1858,		$ 12,492 57

SPECIAL RECAPITULATION.

V. M. Institute.

Cr. as per report,	- - - - -	21,352 78
Dr. do. do.	- - - - -	22,471 22
	To balance,	$ 1,118 44

Q. M. Department.

Cr. as per report,	- - - - -	31,673 93
Dr. do. do.	- - - - -	28,583 88
	By balance,	$ 3,090 05

Subsistence Department.

Cr. as per report,	- - - - -	24,631 84
Dr. do. do.	- - - - -	19,746 57
	By balance,	$ 4,885 27

Building Account.

Cr. as per report,	- - - - -	10,123 29
Dr. do. do.	- - - - -	4,487 60
	By balance,	$ 5,635 69

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R. H. CATLETT,
Treasurer V. M. I.

June 1, 1858.

Merit Roll of the Cadets of the Virginia Military Institute, as determined at the General Examination before the Board of Visitors, July 5th, 1858.

* Distinguished. † Deficient.

FIRST CLASS—GRADUATES.

General Merit.	NAMES.	COUNTIES.	TOTAL.	REMARKS.
*1	M. B. Hardin,	Alexandria,	2500.4	Adjutant.
*2	L. W. Reid,	"	2468.8	Quartermaster.
*3	L. L. Marks,	Petersburg,	2319.2	Lieutenant.
4	J. F. Neff,	Shenandoah,	2122.9	
5	N. C. Wilson,	Rockbridge,	2096.9	"
6	W. E. Cutshaw,	Jefferson,	1978.7	"
7	G. E. Tayloe,	Roanoke,	1973.0	"
8	J. M. Kincheloe,	Fauquier,	1754.5	1st Captain.
9	H. B. Meade,	Amelia,	1738.6	Lieutenant.
10	J. T. Hairston,	Henry,	1689.5	
11	E. C. Edmonds,	Alexandria,	1624.3	2d Captain.
12	T. S. Taylor,	Franklin,	1587.2	Lieutenant.
13	L. W. Flowerree,	Fauquier,	1536.3	
14	T. L. Pitts,	Richmond county,	1532.4	
15	J. Armistead,	Elizabeth City,	1475.4	
16	J. B. Terrill,	Bath,	1442.9	
17	S. Wilson,	Surry,	1431.0	
18	H. L. Norfleet,	Nansemond,	1285.7	
19	J. Breckenridge,	Botetourt,	1211.3	

SECOND CLASS.

eneral Ierit.	NAMES.	COUNTIES.	TOTAL.	REMARKS.
*1	W. H. Clarke, -	Richmond city, -	1024.6	Sergeant.
*2	J. W. Lyell, -	" county, -	1005 4	"
*3	J. H. Chenoweth, -	Randolph, -	974.6	"
4	C. Y. Steptoe, -	Bedford, -	930.0	
5	S. Ship, -	Fauquier, -	917.8	"
6	E. S. Hutter, -	Campbell, -	910.8	2d O. Sergeant.
7	J. W. Lewis, -	Bath, -	894.9	Sergeant.
8	W. Keiter, -	Hampshire, -	893.6	
9	G. Ross, -	Culpeper, -	832.5	Color Sergeant.
10	J. D. H. Ross, -	" -	796.6	
11	C. J. Green, -	Stafford, -	793.8	Sergeant.
12	J. F. Tyler, -	Lee, -	787.0	
13	W. H. Otey, -	Campbell, -	770.7	1st O. Sergeant.
14	W. M. Palmer, -	Halifax, -	763.9	
15	J. P. Minetree, -	Petersburg, -	741.5	Quartermaster Sergt.
16	W. L. Wingfield, -	Bedford, -	715.2	
17	T. Massenburg, -	Elizabeth City, -	703.1	
18	A. G. Hill, -	King William, -	669.2	
19	J. H. Ham, -	Elizabeth City, -	638.1	Sergeant.
20	G. B. Cooke, -	Portsmouth, -	637.7	"
21	W. B. Tabb, -	Amelia, -	625.4	
22	J. Ryland, -	King & Queen, -	623.3	
23	O. C. Henderson, -	Alexandria, -	615.3	
24	T. V. Williams, -	Tazewell, -	609 5	Sergeant.
25	D. H. Hardaway, -	Nottoway, -	534.7	
26	J. D. Coles, -	Pittsylvania, -	522.9	
27	J. W. Kerr, -	Petersburg, -	445.7	
†	L. W. Mears, -	Elizabeth City.		
†	T. M. Boyd, -	Nelson.		
†	E. C. Hill, -	King William, -	–	Sergeant.

THIRD CLASS.

General Merit.	NAMES.	COUNTIES.	TOTAL.	REMARKS.
*1	J. G. Miller,	Matthews,	753 6	
*2	E. Cunningham,	Powhatan,	743.9	
*3	D. Poynor,	Brunswick,	737.6	1st Corporal.
4	C. L. Lumsden,	Petersburg,	669 8	Corporal.
5	J. T. Tosh,	Roanoke.	660.0	2d Corporal.
6	C. F. Urquhart,	Isle of Wight,	658.6	
7	W. N. Otey,	Campbell,	647.2	Corporal.
8	D. L. Sublett,	Powhatan,	636.4	
9	S. F. Adams,	Bedford,	625.7	
10	O. H. Betts,	Northumberland,	623.4	
11	J. H. Morrison,	Brunswick,	622.9	
12	W. H. Morgan,	Chesterfield,	616.5	"
13	J. B. Cherry,	Norfolk city,	607.8	
14	A. S. Scott,	Hardy,	602.7	
15	N. C. Harris,	Bedford,	598.5	
16	J. M. Otey,	Campbell,	594.8	
17	C. A. Davidson,	Rockbridge,	584.0	
18	J. R. Hutter,	Campbell,	580.5	"
19	M. G. Ellzey,	Loudoun,	573.5	
20	C. H. Harris,	Brunswick,	546.1	
21	E. M. Hardy,	Norfolk city,	542.4	
22	J. M Oliver,	Mecklenburg,	541.3	
23	C. L. Hardeman,	Henry,	533.2	
24	J. P. Lynch,	Richmond city,	531.8	
25	W. G. Paxton,	Rockbridge,	527.5	
26	J. H. Hebard,	Fluvanna,	524.7	
27	J. R. Kent,	Montgomery,	521.5	"
28	A. B. Paris,	Charlotte,	513.9	
29	W. B. Bentley,	Montgomery,	491.5	
30	T. M. Semmes,	Richmond city,	486.7	
31	B. C. Wherry,	" "	478.2	"
32	J. B. Mosely,	Appomattox,	476.0	"
33	W. B. Pendleton,	Louisa,	472.6	
34	J. W. McCarty,	Loudoun,	471.5	
35	W. A. Brockenbrough,	Richmond county,	468.1	"
36	W. F. Sydnor,	Petersburg,	466.8	
37	W. Overton,	Louisa,	459.3	
38	G. Norton,	Richmond city,	443.6	
39	V. M. Johnson,	Spottsylvania,	438.2	
40	A. T. Walden,	Rappahannock,	434.6	
41	H. H. Fauntleroy,	Richmond county,	418.8	
42	J. K. Marshall,	Fauquier.	414.5	
43	J. P. Baltzell,	Washington,	408.0	
44	C. Breckenridge,	Botetourt,	407.8	
†	T. B. Amiss,	Madison.		
†	J. H. Trent,	Cumberland.		
†	M. P. Deyerle,	Roanoke.		
†	R. C. Taylor,	Montgomery.		
†	T. B. Booth,	Petersburg.		
†	S. Heth,	Culpeper.		
†	R. S. Majett,	Southampton.		
†	G. M. Kent,	Wythe.		
	G. D. Parker,	Norfolk,	–	Not examined.
	R. S. Blair,	Ritchie,	–	"

FOURTH CLASS.

eneral Merit.	NAMES.	COUNTIES.	TOTAL.	REMARKS.
1	W. A. Deas,	Powhatan,	869.4	
2	R. J. Washington,	Westmoreland,	833.3	
3	R. L. Williams,	Essex,	816.7	
4	W. E. Park,	Jackson,	815.1	
5	J. H. Gilmer,	Richmond city,	761.5	
6	B. E. Coltrane,	Carroll,	734.9	
7	F. D. Hume,	Orange,	731.3	
8	S. P. Ker,	Northampton,	701.9	
9	N. C. Wilson,	Botetourt,	664.0	
10	C. H. Smith,	Alexandria,	663.3	
11	R. C. Nicholas,	Richmond city,	658.6	
12	W. E. Gibson,	"	657.5	
13	W. M. Peyton,	Roanoke,	652.0	
14	S. S. Brooke,	Stafford,	641.0	
15	A. F. Bagby,	King & Queen,	617.9	
16	W. Russell,	Mecklenburg,	605.5	
17	T. R. Dunn,	Petersburg,	604.5	
18	J. R. Bryan,	Hanover,	553.8	
19	J. Heath,	Northampton,	552.8	
20	L. D. Greenlaw,	King George,	552.3	
21	J. R. Hammet,	Montgomery,	549.2	
22	T. G. Hart,	Fauquier,	545.1	
23	W. P. Gregory,	Mecklenburg,	544.6	
24	D. P. Graham,	Wythe,	530.9	
25	J. W. Willcox,	Charles City,	496.1	
26	W. G. Anderson,	Montgomery,	484.9	
27	J. W. Houck,	Rockingham,	438.9	
28	T. C. Kinney,	Augusta,	429.6	
29	E. S. Wooldridge,	Richmond city,	392.1	
†	J. D. McCabe,	"	–	Deficient in conduct.
†	T. Griffith,	Westmoreland.		
†	J. B. Coakley,	Stafford.		
†	W. H. Liggan,	Rockbridge.		
†	J. R. Tyler,	Southampton.		
†	W. N. Mercer,	Richmond city.		
†	W. D. Waller,	Spotsylvania.		
†	W. W. Spratley,	Brunswick.		
†	J. M. Pannil,	Henry.		
†	B. Grigsby,	Mercer.		
	W. H. Tate,	Wythe,	–	(Not examined).

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NAMES.	COUNTIES.	Science and Art in which each Cadet particularly excels.
First Class.		
M. B. Hardin, -	Alexandria, -	Geography, English, Mathematics, Composition, French, Latin, Drawing, Chemistry, Natural Philosophy, Engineering, Moral Philosophy, Geology, Rhetoric, Artillery and Infantry Tactics.
L. W. Reid, -	Alexandria, -	English, Mathematics, Composition, Latin, Drawing, Chemistry, Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, Geology, Rhetoric and Artillery Tactics.
L. L. Marks, -	Petersburg, -	English, Mathematics, French, Latin, Natural Philosophy, Geology, Rhetoric and Infantry Tactics.
Second Class.		
W. H. Clarke, -	Richmond, -	Mathematics and Natural Philosophy.
J. W. Lyell, -	" -	Natural Philosophy.
J. H. Chenoweth,	Randolph, -	Mathematics, Natural Philosophy and Chemistry.
Third Class.		
J. G. Miller. -	Matthews, -	Mathematics.
E. Cunningham,	Powhatan, -	Mathematics and Latin.
D. Poynor, -	Brunswick, -	Latin, Declamation and Composition.
Fourth Class.		
W. A. Deas, -	Powhatan, -	English, Mathematics, French, Composition and Declamation.
R. J. Washington,	Westmoreland, -	Geography, Mathematics, Composition and Declamation.
R. L. Williams, -	Essex, -	English and Geography.